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1. Various small arms coming from Argentina have recently been found in the possession of Movimiento Nacionalista Revolucionario (MNR) elements in Bolivia. (Cf. [REDACTED] which reported that Raul Lema Pelaez was in possession of an Argentine submachine gun when he was detained by Bolivian authorities.)
2. Police suspicion centers at present on Vicente Ordoz, an Argentine national, whose trip to Bolivia for the purpose of selling arms to the MNR has been previously reported (cf. [REDACTED], and on two Lloyd Aereo Boliviano pilots, Walter Arce Rojas and Juan Moreira Mostajo. Arce, who was reported in SO-20003 to have aided MNR leader Luis Penaloza to escape from Guayamerin, and Moreira are said to have aided in the transportation of arms from the Argentine border region to the interior of Bolivia. Both of these pilots were officers in the Bolivian Air Force under Villarroel, and after the fall of that regime, were convicted and punished for participation in the political activities of the Logia Radepe.
3. Members of the MNR high command in La Paz state that Victor Paz Estenssoro is in close touch with the Peron government on the question of obtaining arms for a revolt in Bolivia. Paz Estenssoro is reportedly promising access to Bolivian petroleum in exchange for arms.

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